

House Resolution No. 4275

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives always welcome the opportunity to acknowledge milestone events in the histories of Show-Me State media which have proven down through the years to be exceptional components of local communities and neighborhoods; and

Whereas, KOBC radio broadcasts at 90.7 on the FM dial as a noncommercial media outlet of Ozark Christian College in Joplin, Missouri; and

Whereas, originally founded in 1968 as a 10 watt AM station which broadcast to students, staff, and faculty on what was then known as the Ozark Bible College campus, KOBC was granted an FM license by the Federal Communications Commission on October 17, 1974, to serve as a noncommercial, education station utilizing 30,000 watts of transmission power; and

Whereas, now broadcasting at 60,000 watts, KOBC FM is a member in good standing with the National Association of Broadcasters, the Christian Music Broadcasters, and the Joplin Area Chamber of Commerce; and

Whereas, in addition to financial support from Ozark Christian College, KOBC FM receives funding from citizens, churches, businesses, and organizations in the city of Joplin through three days a year of on-air fund-raising; and

Whereas, KOBC FM has 40,000 listeners each week, many of whom are women who have given the radio station the largest market share in the United States for a noncommercial Christian music station:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, join unanimously to applaud the thirty-year-long history of KOBC FM radio and to convey to all of those involved, especially station personnel, financial underwriters, and faithful listeners, this legislative body's heartiest congratulations as they celebrate the anniversary of the founding of their noncommercial radio station; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution in honor of KOBC FM radio at Ozark Christian College in Joplin, Missouri.

Offered by _____
Representative Bryan P. Stevenson
District No. 128

I, Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, Second Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 4275, adopted October 13, 2004.

Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker